


CITY OF SAN DIEGO
M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: November 5, 2001

TO: Councilmember Donna Frye

FROM: George I. Loveland, Senior Deputy City Manager 

SUBJECT: Mission Bay Master Plan Update - AIM #01-0426

The following information is provided in response to your memos of September 5, October 3, and October 31, 2001, regarding the Mission Bay Master Plan Update.

The Mission Bay Master Plan Update was originally adopted by the Mayor and Council on August 2, 1994. There have been two amendments to the Master Plan Update adopted on August 1, 1995 and May 13, 1997. The California Coastal Commission has certified the original Master Plan Update and the two amendments. The certified Master Plan on file with the City Clerk contains a number of loose pages inserted from the 1995 and 1997 amendments. Subsequent to the adoption of the Master Plan Update and the amendments, staff identified some errors and inconsistencies.

In July 2000, staff ran out of copies of the Master Plan and approximately 50 copies were printed. Prior to printing, staff made administrative corrections to reconcile inconsistencies in the document and to accurately reflect the prior City Council and Coastal Commission actions. The document printed in July 2000 was not presented to either the City Council or Coastal Commission. This document still contains errors and inconsistencies and therefore requires additional corrections. Staff is in the process of accounting for and retrieving all copies of the document printed in July 2000.

The City Manager will enter into a contract to obtain technical assistance to conduct an independent review of the official record from all City Council and California Coastal Commission actions related to the Mission Bay Master Plan Update. A report will be prepared which identifies all required actions necessary to accurately reflect direction from the City Council and California Coastal Commission. This report will then be presented to Coastal Commission staff and a process will be developed with their input which will result in a certified Master Plan which accurately reflects California Coastal Commission and City Council actions.

The scope of work for the independent review will also include developing procedures and processes for dealing with any future amendments. As to the numbered issues in your memo of October 3, items 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 will specifically be addressed in the findings and recommendations of the independent review. As to item number two, a copy of the findings and recommendations of the independent review along with all back up materials will be forwarded to the foreman of the Grand Jury. Once a contract has been negotiated, we will inform you of the proposed time line to complete all the tasks.

cc: Honorable Mayor and City Council